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COORDINATING COMMITTEE

RECORD OF DISCUSSION

ON A NETHERLANDS MEMORANDUM CONCERNING THE

EXPORT OF TELEVISION MEASURING AND SERVICING EQUIPMENT

TO THE SINO_SOVIET BLOC

ITEM 1529

7th and 11th July. 1960

Present: Belgium (Luxembourg), Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Netherlands,

United Kingdom, United States.

References: CCCCM Documents Nos. 3715,29/3 and 4.

- 1. The CHAIRMAN inwited further views on possibilities for clarifying the definition of Item 1529 along the lines discussed at previous meetings.
- 2. The UNITED KINGDOM Delegate made a statement which is recorded at Annex A. hereto.
- 3. The NETHERLANDS expert said that earlier that day the Netherlands Delegation had had discussives with French experts along similar lines to those of the United Kingdom statement. The French experts had, however, suggested an addition which the Netherlands expert considered most useful. This was that the degree of accuracy of the frequency or the measurement should be stated. The speaker felt that 1 in 1000 would be a suitable cut-off. This would provide a simple distinction between television testing and measuring equipment on the one hand and the professional and more sophisticated equipment on the other hand. The Netherlands Delegation would be able to accept the United Kingdom proposal at Annex A. provided the French suggestion could be incorporated, possibly by the addition of the following wording: "having a frequency accuracy or measuring accuracy of not more than one part in 1,000".
- 4. The FRENCH Delegate agreed that this wording would meet his point.
- 5. The CHAIRMAN proposed that a Working Group under the Chairmanship of the Netherlands expert should meet the following day and should make recommendations in time for consideration by the Committee on the 11th July.
- 6. The COMMITTEE agreed to this suggestion. A Report by the Chairman of the Working Group was circulated on the 8th July (See Annex B. hereto).
- 7. On the 11th July the CHAIRMAN of the Coordinating Committee pointed out that in the second paragraph of this Report the Working Group recommended a text for insertion as a Note at the end of the definition of Item 1529. He asked whether Delegates were prepared to forward this recommendation to their Governments.
- 8. The UNITED STATES expert, repeating comments he had made in the Working Group, stated that if further consideration of this item was contemplated it seemed inapproximate to reach an interim redefinition before the annual review which would soon begin. The expert also repeated the following points with reference to the Note as set forth in the Working Grpup's Report:
 - 1) The equipment in question appeared to be caught only by the provisions of part (a) of Item 1529. He felt that the Note should reflect this point in order not to create a point of conflict or ambiguity with the accuracy limitation found in part (b), and in order to ensure the continued application of the temperature limits established by part (c).

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- 2) The accuracy limit suggested appeared to be about one order of magnitude greater than that found in equipment of the type in question. (i.e. accuracy no better than 1 part in 100 is normal).
- 3) It seemed appropriate further to define the equipment which the Note would release, by excluding from this group the types which contained provisions for precisely-calibrated voltage or power output.

In so far as points 1 and 3 above were concerned, there had been a general consensus of opinion among the other experts that the phrase "specially designed for" was sufficient protection. With respect to the second point it had been felt that the accuracy limit of 0.1% was in itself relatively low and that this was a better solution than setting it at a figure which might again cover some non-strategic items. It had been felt here too that the phrase "specially designed for" would protect any concern on this point. The United States expert had agreed on the 8th July to convey these views to his authorities.

9. The COMMITTEE agreed to resume discussion on this matter on the 25th July.

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